

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to overcome the Examiner's objections to Figure 2 by showing a leader line further extending to "the flat surface" as claimed in claim 9 to provide a clearer representation of the claimed element. The replacement sheet which includes Figure 2 replaces the original sheet which included Figure 2.

Attachments: Annotated Sheet

Replacement Sheet

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's indication that this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters. Further, Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courteous and productive telephone interview conducted on October 5, 2005. The above changes to claim 3 were discussed, thereby to place the case into condition for allowance.

The claims have been amended in a manner believed fully responsive to all points raised by the Examiner, thereby to pass all of the claims to allowance. No new matter has been added.

It is noted that the claim amendments herein are made only for more particularly pointing out the invention, and not for distinguishing the invention over the prior art, narrowing the claims, or for any statutory requirements of patentability.

Further, it is noted that, notwithstanding any claim amendments made herein, Applicant's intent is to encompass equivalents of all claim elements, even if amended herein or later during prosecution.

FORMAL MATTERS AND CONCLUSION

In response to Examiner's objections to the Drawings, Applicant files herewith annotated and replacement sheets for Figure 2, which show a leader line further extending to "the flat surface" as claimed in claim 9 to provide a clearer representation of the claimed element.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that claims 1-10, all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local

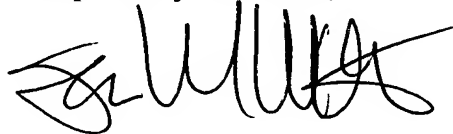
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condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees or to credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,



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FIG.2

